

A Regular Meeting of the Troy Library Board was held on Thursday December 14, 2006 at the Office of the Library Director. Lynne Gregory, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Heather Eisenbacher
Kul B. Gauri
Lynne Gregory
Nancy Wheeler
Audre Zembrzuski

Shruthi Subramanian, Student Representative

Brian Stoutenburg, Library Director

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given

Resolution #LB-2006-12-01

Moved by Wheeler

Seconded by Zembrzuski

RESOLVED, That Arthi Krishna be excused.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #LB-2006-12-02

Moved by Wheeler

Seconded by Gauri

RESOLVED, That Minutes of November 16, 2006 be approved with changes.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Reviewed Agenda entries

Resolution #LB-2006-012-03

Moved by Wheeler

Seconded by Eisenbacher

RESOLVED, That the Agenda be approved.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski
No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

POSTPONED ITEMS

There were no Postponed items.

NEW BUSINESS.

Library of the Future Presentation.

Maria Hunciag and Mary Kerwin presented the Friends of the Troy Public Library power point presentation on the concept of “The Library of the Future”. The Board was asked for their input. It was suggested that a count of people in study seats be conducted as some hard data. It was also suggested that the patron comment forms be organized as to type of issue and provide the Friends the types of building related comments and the frequency of such comments.

Purpose Statements and Roles of Library Board, Friends and Library Administration.
Gauri suggested that Chairman Gregory appoint a couple of Library Board members to work with representatives of the Friends along with Stoutenburg to draft a document for consideration. This will be on the agenda for the January meeting.

2007 Library Closing Dates.

Resolution #LB-2006-12-04

Moved by Zembrzuski
Seconded by Gauri

RESOLVED, That the 2007 Library Closing Dates be approved as presented.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski
No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2007 Library Advisory Board Meetings.

Resolution #LB-2006-12-05

Moved by Zembrzuski
Seconded by Wheeler

RESOLVED, That the 2007 schedule of Library Advisory Board Meetings be approved as presented.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski
No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Director's Report.

A software program called Vendprint has been installed in the Adult Services Technology Center. This program sends public print jobs to the service desk instead of straight to a public printer. Staff collects the print fee for the job and then releases the print job to the printer. We had been using the honor system for print job payment. Once we are confident that the software is working well, the Teen computers and Youth Services computers will begin printing in this manner. Receipt printers have been purchased for all circulation stations and should be functional in about a week. Patrons will now be able to receive a printout of their transactions.

Board Member's Comments

Eisenbacher asked about the procedure for when a patron believes they have returned a book and the library doesn't show that it has been returned.

Eisenbacher suggested that when the Café contract is complete that before a new contract is agreed to that there be a discussion about a different use of the space, perhaps the Friends Bookstore or additional library space.

Zembrzuski began a discussion of the draft proposal of the Friends that could allow for pricing of items being exhibited if certain criteria is met. Concerns over costs in the proposal were brought forward. It was agreed that the proposal would be studied by the Board and discussed again at a future meeting.

Wheeler asked about the difference between the Library's Outreach Program that provides delivery of books to those having difficulty getting to the Library and the Friends provision of books to Seniors and others. The Library service is a borrowing service from our collection and the Friends give books to people with a need.

Zembrzuski presented a newspaper article about the law suit against the Bloomfield Township Public Library that is to be heard at the State Supreme Court Level. The suit involves borrowing privileges at public libraries by the public regardless of residency in the Library's service area.

Student Representative's Comments

Subramanian agreed with the concern of the cost fairness issues brought forth in the pricing of exhibit pieces discussion.

Suburban Library Cooperative.

Gregory reported that new officers were elected for the SLC Board. That the SLC staff is in the process of moving into their new location which is separate from the Macomb County Library building. A new phone service was approved along with security and fire suppression systems. A group of six Board members (3 from SLC and 3 from The Library Network) have been meeting with SLC and Interim TLN Director Tammy Turgeon to discuss the benefits of a possible merger.

Friends of the Troy Public Library.

No report.

Gifts.

Three gifts totaling \$210.00 were received.

Informational Items.

December TPL Calendar.

Contacts and Correspondence.

13 written comments from the public were reviewed.

Public Participation.

There was no public participation.

The Library Board meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Lynne Gregory
Chairman

Brian Stoutenburg
Recording Secretary